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Annual Report

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No donations or bequests were made to the Natural Resources Conservation Trust Fund during 2013-2014. No contributions were made from the Natural Resources Conservation Trust Fund in 2013-2014.

Audited financial statements for 2013-2014 are attached.

THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND

Yellowknife, NT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended March 31, 2014

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MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR REPORTING

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared by management, which is responsible for the reliability, integrity and objectivity of the information provided. They have been prepared in accordance with the *Natural Resources Conservation Trust Act of the Northwest Territories* ("the Act"). Where necessary the statements include amounts that are based on informed judgments and estimates by management, giving appropriate consideration to reasonable limits of materiality.

In discharging its responsibility for the integrity and fairness of the financial statements and for the accounting systems from which they are derived, management maintains the necessary system of internal controls designed to provide assurance that transactions are authorized, assets are safeguarded and proper records are maintained. These controls include quality standards in hiring and training employees, written policies and procedures manuals, and accountability for performance within appropriate and well-defined areas of responsibility. The Board's management recognizes its responsibility for conducting the Board's affairs in accordance with the requirements of applicable laws and sound business principles, and for maintaining standards of conduct that are appropriate.

The accounting firm Avery, Cooper & Co. Certified General Accountants provide an independent, objective audit for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards.

Director

May 12, 2014

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Minister of Department of Environment and Natural Resources of
The Natural Resources Conservation Trust Fund

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of The Natural Resources Conservation Trust Fund, which comprise the Statement of Financial Position as at March 31, 2014, and the Statements of Changes in Net Assets and Operations for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements
Management is responsible for the preparation of these financial statements in accordance with the *Natural Resources Conservation Trust Act* of the Northwest Territories ("the Act"), and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the Fund's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion
In our opinion, the financial statements of The Natural Resources Conservation Trust Fund as at March 31, 2014, and the results of its operations for the year then ended are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with Act.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT, continued

Basis of Accounting
Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 2 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements are prepared to assist the Fund to meet the requirements of the Act referred to above. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose.

Avery, Cooper + Co.

Avery, Cooper & Co.
Certified General Accountants
Yellowknife, NT

May 12, 2014

THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
March 31, 2014

ASSETS

	2014	2013
CURRENT		
Cash	$ 234,559	$ 233,216

LIABILITY

CURRENT		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	$ 1,500	$ 1,500

FUND BALANCES

BALANCE per page 2	233,059	231,716
	$ 234,559	$ 233,216

Approved:

June 5/14

See accompanying notes

THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

For the year ended March 31, 2014

	Capital Portion	Interest Portion	Total 2014	Total 2013
BALANCE, opening	$ 187,828	$ 43,888	$ 231,716	$ 230,411
Excess of revenues over general and administrative expenses per page 3	-	1,343	1,343	1,305
BALANCE, closing	$ 187,828	$ 45,231	$ 233,059	$ 231,716

See accompanying notes

THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS
For the year ended March 31, 2014

	2014	2013
REVENUES		
Interest income	$ 2,843	$ 2,805
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES		
Professional fees	1,500	1,500
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	$ 1,343	$ 1,305

See accompanying notes

THE NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
March 31, 2014

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

The Natural Resources Conservation Trust Fund was established under the Natural Resources Conservation Trust Act of the Northwest Territories. The purpose of the Fund is to promote, through education, research and demonstration, the:

(a) wise use of renewable resources;
(b) awareness, enhancement and protection of the environment; and
(c) use of the most efficient and most effective methods of trapping wildlife.

A Board of Trustees has been appointed by the Minister of Resources, Wildlife and Economic Development, Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT). Commencing April 1, 2005, the responsibilities were transferred to the Minister of Environmental and Natural Resources to administer the Fund.

The Fund is established as a Special Purpose Fund as defined under subsection 20(1) of the Financial Administration Act (NWT). As such, the Fund is a part of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the GNWT.

2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. The significant policies are detailed as follows:

(a) Fund accounting

In accordance with the Act, the Fund is administered into two portions, the Capital portion, and the Interest portion.

Capital portion
The Capital portion consists of donations, bequests and other payments for deposit accepted by the Board. The Board may not make payments from the capital portion without prior approval of the Minister unless the payment is for designated purpose that has been specified by the benefactor. There are no designated funds in the capital portion of the Fund.

Interest portion
The Interest portion consists of interest earned by the Fund. The Financial Management Board fixes the rate of interest earned by the Fund. The Board of Trustees may make payments from the Interest portion of the Fund to persons, groups and programs.

2. BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued

(b) Revenue recognition

The Fund follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Contributions subject to conditions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. The Board of Trustees may accept donations, bequests or payments that are subject to conditions if the conditions are, in the opinion of the Board, appropriate to the purposes of the Fund. Where the Board accepts such items that are subject to conditions, the Board is bound to comply with those conditions.

Contributions not subject to conditions are recognized as revenue when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured.

Interest income is recognized as revenue when earned.

(c) Contributed materials and services

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources maintains the Fund's accounts. The cost of administering the Fund are borne by the Department. The Fund has elected not to recognize contributed materials and services in these financial statements.

(d) Expenses

Payments from the Interest portion and the Capital portion of the Fund are recognized as expenses in the period in which the events giving rise to the payment occurred, as long as the payment is authorized, eligibility criteria have been met and a reasonable estimate of the amount can be made. All other expenses are recognized on an accrual basis.

3. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Fair value

The Fund's financial instruments consist of cash and accounts payable and accrued liabilities. In the opinion of the Board, the Fund is not exposed to significant interest rate, market, currency, market, liquidity or credit risks from these financial instruments. The carrying value of these instruments approximates their fair value.